



# CCFAC NEWS

Summer 1999

A Consolidated Community Funding Advisory Committee (CCFAC) publication prepared periodically to inform the public of the programs and activities of Fairfax County's **Consolidated Plan** which includes the Consolidated Community Funding Pool process.

## Board Approves FY 2001 Multi-Year Funding

On July 26, 1999, the Board of Supervisors approved a multi-year funding cycle for awards made from the Consolidated Community Funding Pool (CCFP). Beginning with the proposal review process for Fiscal Year (FY) 2001, funding awards will be made for project periods lasting two years.

This decision was made subsequent to a study by the CCFAC to determine the optimal practice for

making awards. Interest in a multi-year funding cycle has been voiced by the community since 1996. The study included a recent survey of community-based organizations, research into other jurisdictions, and weighing advantages of one-year, multi-year, and blended approaches. As a result of the study, the CCFAC determined a two-year funding cycle to be the most advantageous process.

## CCFAC Meeting/Public Hearing

A CCFAC meeting/public hearing will be held **Tuesday, August 10 at 7:00 p.m.** in Conference Rooms 9/10, Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA. For additional information, call Theresa White at (703) 246-5170.

Topics to be covered include:

- Consolidated Plan Vision and Mission Statements for FY 2001 - 2005
- CCFP Proposed Funding Priorities for FY 2001
- CCFP Proposal Evaluation Criteria for FY 2001

## Five-Year Consolidated Plan Under Construction

The CCFAC has distributed draft Vision and Mission statements for the new Five-Year Consolidated Plan for review and comment at its August 10th public hearing. Comments at the public hearing, as well as information gathered throughout this year's public input process, will be used to develop a draft Five-Year Plan. October 1999 is the target date for the release of the draft Five-Year Plan. This draft will contain a needs assessment; proposed priorities; draft five-year strategies for housing and community development activities, services to the homeless, and persons with special needs; and other information required by HUD regulations.



## New CCFAC Members Aboard

The CCFAC would like to welcome its five new members. The new CCFAC members and the organizations they represent are:

- **Raymond Burmester**, Human Services Council
- **Lu Ellingwood**, Homeless Oversight Committee
- **Willard Jasper**, Redevelopment and Housing Authority
- **George Myers**, Commission on Aging
- **John Stephens**, Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board



The new members participated in an orientation held July 13.

These individuals are joining the current committee membership of: **Marlene Blum**, Chair (Fairfax County Alliance for Human Services); **Shirley Nelson**, Vice Chair (Fairfax County Public Schools/PTA); **Bill Bestimt** (Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce); **Rose Chu** (Health Care Advisory Board); **Dave Cooper** (Fairfax-Falls Church United Way); **Iona Levin** (Community Action Advisory Board); **Rosemary Ryan** (Advisory Social Services Board); and **Ann Zuvekas** (Fairfax Area Disabilities Services Board). The Child Care Advisory Council seat is currently vacant.

**CCFACT:** Fairfax County received 132 applications for Fiscal Year 2000 funding under the Consolidated Community Funding Pool. Eighty-two proposals were awarded funds by the Board of Supervisors, totaling \$6,852,885.

## CCFAC Develops FY 2001 Funding Priorities

This spring the CCFAC completed six forums in an effort to obtain public input regarding housing and human service needs in Fairfax County. Also, the Community Action Advisory Board (CAAB) with the assistance of the Regional Managers from the Department of Systems Management for Human Services held twelve focus groups (in various languages) to gather input from low-income clients regarding services. Input from the forums and focus groups was used to develop funding priorities for the Consolidated Community Funding Pool for Fiscal Year 2001.

More than 300 questionnaires were completed during the focus groups and forums. The ten needs identified most frequently were: 1) *Affordable Housing*, 2) *Health Care*, 3) *English as a Second Language*, 4) *Transportation*, 5) *Youth Programs*, 6) *Job Training/Skills Training*, 7) *Dental Services*, 8) *Emergency Services/Basic Needs*, 9) *Child Care*, and 10) *Employment*.

In addition to the completed questionnaires and discussions with forum and focus group participants, the CCFAC Community Input and Funding Priorities Subcommittee solicited comments from boards, authorities and commissions associated with housing and human services, and met with leadership staff of County agencies at the June 8th CCFAC meeting. The subcommittee also consulted various reports and studies including the 1999 Human Services Community Challenges Series,

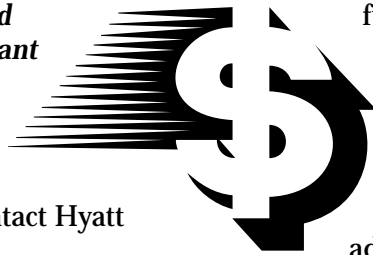
demographic information from the 1994 and 1998 Household Surveys, the FY 1999 report on Selected Trends in Service Utilization and Demand, and reports from Fairfax County Public Schools.

At the August 10th public hearing, the CCFAC will receive public comments regarding the proposed funding priorities. In addition, public comment is also requested on the proposed CCFP evaluation criteria for FY 2001.

CCFP Funding Priorities Outcome Area	Recommended Target	
	FY 2000	FY 2001
1. People Find and Maintain Safe, Appropriate, and Affordable Housing	27%	27%
2. People Have the Supports They Need To Be Self-Sufficient	23%	21%
3. Families and Individuals are Healthy, Stable, and Independent	15%	18%
4. Youth Make Safe, Responsible Decisions	15%	14%
5. Families and Individuals Meet Their Basic Needs	11%	11%
6. Communities are Safe, Supportive, Inclusive, and Thriving	9%	9%

## Funding News

- *A Request for Proposals (RFP) will be released by August 13 for federal HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.* An amount of \$676,914 will be made available to eligible community housing development organizations. For additional information please contact Hyatt Simpson at (703) 246-5069.
- *A series of five training modules* to assist nonprofits with improving their capacity for



funding success was begun in June, and will continue through October 1999. The training is funded by the Fairfax County Community Action Advisory Board through the Community Services Block Grant, and is sponsored by Fairfax County, the Fairfax/Falls Church United Way, and the Volunteer Center of Fairfax County. For additional information on remaining training modules, their times and locations, contact Margaret Holmes at (703) 324-7814.

The CCFAC is supported by an interagency team from the Department of Administration for Human Services, Department of Family Services, the Department of Housing and Community Development, and the Department of Systems Management for Human Services. For additional information about this publication or the **Consolidated Plan**, please contact the Fairfax County Department of Housing and Community Development at (703) 246-5170, TTY: (703) 385-3578. Address any written comments to CCFAC, c/o Fairfax County Department of Housing and Community Development, 3700 Pender Drive, Suite 300, Fairfax, Virginia 22030.

